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Inter Partes Reexamination Filing Data – December 31, 2009

1.	Total requests filed since start of <i>inter partes</i> reexam on 11/29/99.....							808 ¹		
2.	Number of filings by discipline									
	a.	Chemical Operation						158	20%	
	b.	Electrical Operation						385	48%	
	c.	Mechanical Operation						253	31%	
	d.	Design Patents						12	1%	
3.	Annual Reexam Filings									
	<u>Fiscal Yr.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Fiscal Yr.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Fiscal Yr.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Fiscal Yr.</u>	<u>No.</u>		
	2000	0	2003	21	2006	70	2009	258		
	2001	1	2004	27	2007	126	2010YTD	74		
	2002	4	2005	59	2008	168				
4.	Number known to be in litigation.....							552	68%	
5.	Decisions on requests							699		
	a.	No. granted						668	96%	
		(1)	By examiner					667		
		(2)	By Director (on petition)					1		
	b.	No. not granted						31	4%	
		(1)	By examiner					27		
		(2)	Reexam vacated					4		
6.	Overall reexamination pendency (Filing date to certificate issue date)									
	a.	Average pendency							36.2 (mos.)	
	b.	Median pendency							31.9 (mos.)	
7.	Total inter partes reexamination certificates issued (1999 - present)							134		
	a.	Certificates with all claims confirmed						11	8%	
	b.	Certificates with all claims canceled (or disclaimed)						68	51%	
	c.	Certificates with claims changes						55	41%	

¹Of the requests received in FY 2010, 9 requests have not yet been accorded a filing date, and 2 requests have had preprocessing terminated, for failure to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.915. See Clarification of Filing Date Requirements for *Ex Parte* and *Inter Partes* Reexamination Proceedings, Final Rule, 71 Fed. Reg. 44219 (August 4, 2006).